

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:360
ANSWERED ON:18.04.2000
AUTONOMY TO COLLEGES
PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the fee structure of the colleges would be affected by the UGC's scheme of autonomous colleges; and
(b) if so, the facts in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) & (b) : A statement is laid on the table of the house.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 360 FOR 18.04.2000 REGARDING AUTONOMY TO COLLEGES ASKED BY SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL.

(a) & (b) : All the effects are beneficial to the colleges. Under the UGC's Scheme of Autonomous Colleges, autonomous status is conferred on a college by the University to which it is permanently affiliated, with the concurrence of the concerned State Government and the approval of UFC. According to the revised guidelines, an Autonomous college has the freedom to determine and prescribe its own courses of study and syllabi; prescribe rules for admission in consonance with the reservation policy of the concerned State Government; evolve methods of assessment of students' work, the conduct of examinations and notification of results; and use modern tools of educational technology to achieve higher standards and greater creativity. The guidelines also provide the power to the Governing body of the Colleges to fix the fees and other charges payable by the students on recommendations of the Finance committee subject to the existing provision in the bye laws of respective college and rules laid down by the State Government.

The flow of funds from the UGC to autonomous colleges is greater than the normal flow. UGC provides assistance to such colleges for meeting their additional and special needs.